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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicants request that the following amendments be entered into the application:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 1-15 and insert the following new claims

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16. Confocal microscope with an optical system (2) for image rotation disposed in the path of rays (1) of the microscope, characterized in that the optical system (2) is disposed between a scanning lens (8) and a scanning mirror (9) of a beam converging lens (7) in the parallel path of rays (1) of the microscope.

17. Microscope according to claim 16, characterized in that the optical system (2) for image rotation is a prism.

18. Microscope according to claim 17, characterized in that the prism is configured as a dove prism.